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## **PSC OPENS INQUIRY INTO PROPOSED MAYSVILLE-TO-FLEMINGSBURG ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION LINE**

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FRANKFORT – The Kentucky Public Service Commission has opened an inquiry into planned electric transmission improvements by the East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. (EKPC), including a proposed 138-kilovolt transmission line from the Maysville area to Flemingsburg.

The investigation will focus on the question of whether building the proposed line on a new right-of-way would be an unnecessary duplication of facilities. The new line would generally parallel existing transmission lines.

The PSC has received numerous letters and phone calls from area residents who are concerned about the project.

A preliminary review indicates that additional transmission capacity is needed in the area. The review was conducted for the PSC by Commonwealth Associates, Inc., an independent consulting firm. Commonwealth Associates will continue to assist the PSC in this matter.

EKPC is required to file testimony with the PSC which includes explanations of why the new line is needed, what alternatives were considered in selecting a route for the line and the reasons for selecting the proposed project over other alternatives.

The order also sets a procedural schedule for the investigation. A hearing will be held December 1 at 10 a.m. in the PSC offices at 211 Sower Boulevard in Frankfort. On October 13 at 10 a.m., the PSC will hold an informal conference to discuss procedural matters in the case. Anyone interested in becoming an intervenor in the case is encouraged to attend the conference.

The order is available on the PSC Web site, psc.ky.gov. The case number is 2003-00380.

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